## Minutes Joint Meeting

## SUMTER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND SUMTER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Sumter School District Community and Adult Education Center Sumterville, FL

Tuesday, May 21 12:00 Noon

Members Present (SCIDA)

Dan McCormic, Chmn., Dist. I

Jerry Eubanks, V-Chmn., Dist. IV

Eunice Neville, Dist. III

Kay McCoy, Dist. V.

Harold Reynolds, Dist. III

Members Present (SCDC) Dan McCormic, Pres. Jerry Eubanks, V-Pres., Treas. Jim Duncan Tom Kelly Bill McCormick Kay McCoy Eunice Neville Barbara Reynolds Harold Reynolds Irene Reynolds Dennis Rogers Vince Ruano Jim Stevens Nancy Taylor Duncan Thigpen Mary Helen Thigpen Almeda Williams

Jack Pae, Executive Director Brenda Rimes Randall Thornton, Attorney Members Absent (SCIDA)

Members Absent (SCDC)

Ivey Berry, Center Hill
Richard Hagin
Udell Hall, Webster
Carmen Small, Coleman

Guests Present
(See attached list which may
be incomplete.)

The meeting was called to order by President and Chairman Dan McCormic, who welcomed everyone to the joint meeting of the Sumter County Industrial Development Authority and Sumter County Development Council. He expressed appreciation to the architectural firm of Spillis, Candela and Partners, Inc., newest member of the Council of 100, for the barbecue meal. He introduced Larry Adams, a member of the firm.

I. Larry Adams - Spillis, Candela and Partners, Inc.

Adams introduced Peter Spillis, a founding principal of the architectural firm and then spoke briefly on the topic, "Why Sumter County." Adams said he thinks Sumter is a great place and they hope to be back soon.

II. Nancy Taylor, SCDC Member and Sr. VP of LRMC

Taylor introduced Dr. Preston Morgan, Superintendent of Schools, who welcomed the group to Sumter County School Board's newest acquisition of property. Dr. Morgan said they got the sign hung yesterday that reads Sumter School District Community and Adult Education Center and are now authorized to add a sign indicating use by Lake Sumter Community College.

Dr. Morgan praised Bill Donahue for the work he is doing with adult and community education programs.

Nancy Taylor introduced Dr. Carl Andersen, President of Lake-Sumter Community College, who talked about cooperating with the Sumter County school system to use the facilities for classes, counseling, advisement, and the literacy center. Anderson said it is possible to look out from this site to a parcel of land prepared to be donated for a community education complex in Sumter County that will begin us on a path of good post secondary education training for the citizens of Sumter County.

Dr. Andersen introduced past and present LSCC trustees who have been behind addressing the education needs of Sumter County: Almeda Williams and Judge Tom Skidmore, former Board members; Randall Thornton, former Board member and Chairman of the Board; Louise Ross and Linda Winchester, current Board members; and Al Fogel, Chairman of the Board.

Dr. Andersen praised Rep. Everett Kelly who, through his position and his ability, has been instrumental in bringing this project together. He said that one of the best things Rep. Kelly did was to establish a Site Selection Committee. Dr. Andersen asked all members of the committee to stand and he gave special recognition to Glenn Wade for his efforts and to Jim Duncan for providing the use of SECO facilities for LSCC classes.

Glenn Wade recognized his partner, Billy Merritt, and praised him for his help with site selection and planned property donation.

Nancy Taylor recognized Ted Woodrell, President and CEO of Leesburg Regional Medical Center. Taylor talked about their plans for use of the facility by LRMC for continuing education in all aspects of health care along with various programs. She said they are willing to bring their wellness programs to Sumter County.

III. Kevin McMahon, Site Acquisition Coordinator, Federal Prisons

McMahon gave an update on the consideration of Sumter County as a federal prison site. He said they were in the preliminary stages of the project and are conducting environmental impact studies. He said if they move forward with the project, it will

cost 150 to 200 million dollars to construct the prison, will employ 850 staff with 50 to 60 percent coming from the local area, and will have approximately a 32 million dollar operating budget.

## IV. Resignation of Fran Palomeque

McCormic noted the resignation of Fran Palomeque, Development Council member and former Executive Director. He said Fran felt that due to her appointment as a Sumter County Commissioner, she should resign from the Council. He said we will miss her active participation as a member of the Council but will look forward to working with her in her new governmental position.

Meeting adjourned.

The foregoing minutes approved by the Sumter County Industrial Development Authority and the Sumter County Development Council in session

on the 25th day of June, 1991

Mary Helen Thigpen, Dec.

Daniel C. McCormic, Chmn. and Pres.